

*A BOOK BY
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—HANA TO YUME COMICS—
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HANA TO YUME COMICS

>WORKS CONTAINED<

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3 NEW STORY ARCS FOR THE ROMANTIC FANTASY OF PRINCESS DARIAN AND HER SERVANT KIRU!

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--INTRODUCTION OF THE MANGA--

IN ORDER TO BECOME THE RULER OF THE KINGDOM OF PAPARIDA, PRINCESS DARIAN IS WORKING HARD DAY AND NIGHT IN HER SEARCH FOR A POWERFUL SPIRIT! HOWEVER, SO FAR SHE'S ONLY ACQUIRED A DANDELION SPIRIT AS A GUARDIAN.

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HIMEGIMI NO JOUKEN

A VISITOR FOR THE SPIRIT
FESTIVAL PART 1

HELLO (I'M MAKING TALKING)

THIS IS THE SECOND VOLUME OF
"DARKNESS JOURNALS"
THE SECOND VOLUME CAME OUT. I'M
SURPRISED (I'M MOVING) THIS IS MY
SECOND COME, BUT TO A BOOK LOTTE
BOOKS LIKE ME, BEING DISPLAYS OF
MY WORK, SOUNDING UP IN BOOKS
MAKES ME FEEL REALLY LUCKY. IT'S SO
AMAZING ALREADY

IN ANY CASE, THE STATUS IS AS
ALWAYS THANKS TO THE HELP OF
OTHERS. THOSE PEOPLE WHO GAVE
ME WHEN I KEEP GOING THROUGH A
YELLOW LIGHT AS LONG AS IT'S FLASHING.
ALL OF THE EDITORS WHO GRABLY AND
PATIENTLY FOLLOWED ME AND GUIDED
ME, HAZARDING, WHICH PUT MY FIRST
VOLUME OUT INTO THE WORLD. AND
EVERYONE AT THE BOOK STORES ALL
OVER THE COUNTRY. MORE THAN
ANYONE, THE READERS AT MILOP AND
EVERYONE WHO READ THE FIRST VOLUME
AND SUPPORTED ME

FROM THE VERY BOTTOM OF MY HEART,
YOU HAVE MY DEEPEST APPRECIATION.
TRULY, I COULDN'T DO THIS ALONE. I FEEL
THIS EVERY DAY



"WITH THESE HUMBLE FEELINGS, I PRESENT
THE STORY OF THE NOBLEST DASH
AND HIS SERVANT YURI YURI IS TRULY A
STYLISH GUY AND THANKS TO LITTLE OL'
ME HE'S GOING THROUGH EVEN MORE
HARDSHIP. I'LL BE HAPPY IF YOU ENJOY
READING THEM







YOU'VE GOT A LOT OF NERVE
DOING OFF
DURING MY
LECTURE!

I DIDN'T COME
ALL THE WAY
OUT HERE JUST
TO HEAR YOU
TELL ME STUFF
LIKE WHAT'S
WRITTEN IN THE
TEXTBOOK!

AT SUCH A
BUSY TIME
YOU'RE
OPENING THE
SPORT FES-
TIVAL IN THREE
DAYS.

AND THIS IS
AFTER YOU
UNEXPECTEDLY
CHECKED UP
ASKING ME TO
TEACH YOU
ABOUT SPORTS.

NOT TO MENTION
YOU'RE BEING
LECTURED PER-
SONALLY BY
SUCH A GREAT
GUY AS MYSELF!

STAY AWAY
FROM ME IN A
PLACE CALLED
THE PRISON
TOWER.

I
DON'T





GREAT
KIDS
GROW.

RIGHT,
WHAT I
WANT TO
KNOW,

THAT'S
WHAT

THANK
YOU

WHAT
WAS IT
YOU
WANTED
TO ASK
ME?

WELL,
THANK
YOU,
GIRL.

IT'S CUTE!
WHY DID YOU
PICK SOME-
THING LIKE THAT
WITHOUT A
SHOULD WORD
ABOUT IT TO
ME??

WHEN DID I
EVER ASK
YOU TO BE
MY GUARD-
IAN??



IS THERE CAN
I GO TO MEET
THE SPIRIT OF
LIGHT AND THE
SPIRIT OF
DARKNESS?



WHAT

YES

WHAT ELSE
WOULD I
DO?? ARE
THEM
SEASON'S
GHOST-
MAST?

GET THEM
TO GUARD
ME, OR
COUNTRY?

WOULD
YOU EVEN
DO IF I
TOLD YOU
THAT??





TO GET THE
JURY ON MY
BROTHERS, I WANT
TO HAVE THE MOST
POWERFUL CLASS-
ROOM SPORTS THERE
ARE!

NO MATTER
HOW MANY TEN-
MILLION SPORTS
OR BILLIONS OF
CLASS SPORTS I
HAVE CLASSING
ME, IT MAKES NO
DIFFERENCE

THE REQUIRE-
MENT FOR THE
TROPHY IS TO
HAVE A STRONG
CLASSROOM
SPORT

HAH.

THEN
FIRST OF
ALL...



IF THERE
WAS NO
FORM, THEN
HOW DOES A
POUNCE
MOVE?

THAT'S
AROUND

BECAUSE
WITNESS I, BUT
YOUR SUB-
JECTS NOW
MUSIC HAS A
FORM

WHY?

PUT WHAT
ABOUT THE
SPORT OF
WIND?
WHO DOESN'T
HAVE A
FORM,
DOES IT?



THEY
HAVE
NO
FORM!



TURN TO
PAGE 49 IN
YOUR TEXT-
BOOK!

READ
IT!

"KNOW! THE
SPORTS THERE ARE
THOSE LIKE THE
SPORT OF LIGHT, THE
SPORT OF DARKNESS,
AND THE SPORT OF
MUSIC. WHO WOULD
HAVE NO
FORM."



WE
HURRYING

?

...?

?

AND WANTS MORE, THEY
WOULD NEED TO
BE IN A VESSEL
THAT WOULD
ALLOW US TO
UNDERSTAND ONE
ANOTHER.

IN
OTHER
WORDS
—

IN OTHER
WORDS
IT'S HARD
TO MEET
THEIR

IN THIS
LIKE THAT
THEY HAVE
THE FORM OF
A TREE, A
HORN,

A FEEL,
OR A
BEAST.

CAN'T
MEET WITH
SPIRITS THAT
HAVE NO
FORM.

THEY EXIST
IN THE SAME
WORLD AS WE
DO, BUT ON A
DIFFERENT
LEVEL.

BY POSSESS-
ING THESE
EARTHLY
THINGS, THEY
CAN ACQUIRE
A FORM.

FIRST THEY
WOULD NEED
TO TAKE AN
EARTHLY
FORM.

DO YOU UN-
DERSTAND?
IF YOU WERE
TO BORN THE
SPIRITS OF
LIGHT OR
DARKNESS
AS GHOSTS—

HOWEVER,
ONCE IN A
VERY GREAT
WHILE, THOSE
SPIRITS

CHOOSE A
FORM OF
THEIR
OWN.





GENERALLY SPEAKING, IF IT
COULD BE DONE, I
WOULD HAVE
ADDED THEM TO
BE MY GUARDIANS
LONG AGO.

IT'S
CLOSE TO
IMPOSSIBLE.



ADD THE
SPIRIT
OF
HAKU-
MORI
IS...

EVEN THE
SPIRITS OF
LIGHT AND
DARKNESS.

WOULD BE
CLOSED TO
YOU THAN YOU
YOURSELF.

THAT'S
THE
TRUTH.

IT'S A
MURDER
FROM
DARKNESS.

BUT IT'S
EXACTLY A
BLUE
LIGHT
SPIRIT.

YOU
SHOULD BE
FINE WITHOUT
THE SPIRITS OF
LIGHT AND
DARKNESS.

THERE
ARE SPIRITS
CLOSED TO ME.

DEAR!

EVIL THOUGH I
WAS ABLE TO HIT
MY TEACHER
SPARTA...

HE'S GRIPPING
THE SPEAR SO
TIGHTLY HE'S
GONE BLIND

OVER AN

ZZZ

THAT
GUY.

SW
CLASH
ING

IS THE
LECTURE
OVER?





THAT
FEELING —

MYOCHAN

I
PROMISE

I'LL HAVE NO
MATTER HOW
MANY TIMES I GO
THROUGH IT

I THOUGHT, IF I
COULD GET THE
SPIRIT OF LIGHT OR
DARKNESS, I
COULD JUST DO IT
ONCE.







IN OTHER
WORDS,
THE PRINCE
IS AN HON-
ORED VIS-
ITOR

SO PRINCE
HART'S
VISIT IS AN
FORMAL
AFFAIR

OUR COUNTRY
AND THE
ADULT KING-
DOM DON'T
HAVE ANY
FORMAL
AGREEMENTS.

BE KIND.
YOU'RE LIKE
AN OLDER
SISTER TO
HIM

YOU TWO ARE
THE CLOSEST
COUSINS.

OLIVER
BROTHER.

WHAT?!

YOU SHOULD
TAKE CARE
OF HIM
DURING HIS
STAY

THANKS.

CYRIL,
BROTHER—

PLEASE
RELAX
AND
BE AT HOME,
PRINCE
HART.

WELL, IF
YOU'LL
EXCUSE
ME

AND THE
PRINCE

YOU AND
PRINCE HART
ARE COUS-
INS?



BOTH MY
MOTHER AND
MARTIN'S
FATHER,
AND MARTIN'S
MOTHER AND
MY FATHER
DIED IN
1968

...the ...

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THE
NATIONAL
POLICE
OFFICE

we could
 please be
 contacted,
 please?

ON THE
NOTE,
ARE YOU
HOLDING
UP YOUR

YOU
LOOK
JUST
FINE

1997



PLEASE
STOP
FIGHTING
LIKE SIS-
LINGS!



WELL, IT'S
FINE...

THE PRINCESS
DON'T KNOW HE
WAS THE PRINCE,
AND SHE HIT
HIM...

I'M
REALLY
SORRY!



I'VE GOT NO
INTEREST IN A
BOY THAT LOOKS
LIKE A LEO WITH
A BELL-UPON
SHORN ON IT

I WAS
JUST GET-
TING USED
FOR HER
BEING MY
MULTI-TAL
GIRL, RIGHT?



BUT HURT-BEAL
HAS BEEN BROODING
SINCE HE LOST HIS
MOTHER SOME DAYS
AGO

THERE WAS
THE INCI-
DENT YES-
TERDAY, TOO

HE REALLY
IS A MUCH
MORE
GIRLISH
BOY...



PRINCE HART IS
STILL IN SHOCK
FROM THE IN-
CIDENT YES-
TERDAY.

BUT

PLEASE
PLEASE
RUN, PRIN-
CESS
QUEEN



I'M GOING
OUT TO
GET SOME
JOB

ARE YOU
RUNNING-
AWAY?

PRIN-
CESS!



HE MIGHT

YES.
AT HIS MOTHER'S FUNERAL.

HE ASKED
MURDER OVER,
WHO WAS ATTENDING.

IF HE
COULD COME TO
SEE HIS
MOTHER'S
HOME...





WHY
...?

MOTHER
...



THAT'S
RIGHT.

THE NOTION
OF BELIEF
BELIEVES IN
A CREATOR.

MY MOTHER
SAID IT WAS SAID
HOW THE SPRING
HARVEST HAD
BECOME RE-
SELECTED...

BELIEF IN
SPIRITS IS
CONSIDERED
AN URBANE,
BARDOLIC
CLAYTON.



MY MOTHER
ALWAYS SAID
FAITH IN
SPIRITS.

NO MATTER
HOW MUCH
MY FATHER
AND THE
OTHERS TALKED
WITH
HER, SHE
WOULDN'T
STOP.



NO, YOU'RE
WRONG THAT
THE MAGICAL
BERRY THAT
ATTACHED
YOU CAME
YESTERDAY.

WAS THE
GIFT OF
YOUR
MOTHER?



BUT,
THINKING TO
THAT, MY
MOTHER...

SHE DE-
PIECED AN
OLD SHRINE,
DECIDED IT
WAS FLOW-
ERS, AND
PRAYED AT
IT.



COULD
SHE REALLY
BE KILLED
JUST FOR
PRAYING TO
SOMEONE?

BUT, YOU KNOW
WHenever THERE'S
A SHOCKING
STRANGE IT WOULD
BE ACCOMPANIED BY
THOSE KINDS OF
REASONS IN MY
ROYAL FAMILY.

SPENT
MUCH
HARDER
HARDER
IN ADULT...

THAT'S
ABOUT
WHEN IT WAS
ANNOUNCED
THAT PRINCE
HART'S
MOTHER HAD
DIED OF AN
ILLNESS.

THERE
WERE
CERTAINLY
REASONS
BUT IT
WAS
HARDER

IN OUR
KINGDOM,
CREATION
WAS
FORGOTTEN.

AND ANYONE
WHO IS CONSID-
ERED IN SUBJECT
TO PLUNDERING
IT'S PROBABLY
HARDER HERE
THAN IN ADULT.







BLAND
GUY

HART,
ARE YOU
SLEEP-
ING?

WHAT DO
YOU WANT
TO SAY,
ACTRESS?

WHAT?



YOU'RE
SLEEPING
WITH
ME?!

WHAT A
GEEK

MOVE
OVER
A BIT



WHAT
IF?

WITH
ME?!



YOU WERE
FRIGHTENED
DURING THE DAY,
SO I'LL SLEEP
WITH YOU TO-
NIGHT.

OHAYO



THE PRINCESS'S
DRESSING ROOM - 2



IN RESPONSE TO
QUESTIONS, ALLOW
ME TO INTRODUCE
MYSELF A BIT

"SUGINO YASUHI"

* BORN ABOUT 2ND

* LEO ♉ TYPE

* BORN AND RAISED
IN HONSHU

* CURRENTLY
(2000) A RESIDENT
OF KINAZAKI

* HOBBIES
HIGH THEATER
APPRECIATION,
TAKING WALKS

* FOODS I LIKE
MAGGERS,
MUTTON

* WORDS I LIKE
'LIFE'S UPS
AND DOWNS'

* PRESENT STATUS
IN 4 WORDS
'LIFE'S DOWNS
AND COLLAPSED'



LIKE A
FORCE TO
DEFEND
THE ROYAL
CASTLE
AND THE
ROYAL
CITY?

IN
ARMY?

DON'T
YOU
WANT AN
ARMY?

YEAH,
THAT KING
BOY WENT A
SOLDIER.

WELL, OF
COURSE.
WE...

ASH!

WHAT DO
YOU DO
WHEN
YOU'RE AT
WARR?



PALGA



HBYT

GOING
CLOSE!



JUNO IS
GUARDED BY
THE SPIRIT OF
WIND.

WHEN WE'RE
AT WAR, JUNO
USES HIS WIND
POWER TO
BLOW THE EN-
EMIES AWAY SO
WE'RE FINE!



JOJO HAS
BEEN DESPERATELY
LOOKING
FOR YOU

TODAY'S THE
END OF THE
FESTIVAL.
THANK YOU!!
BYE!!

HAVE I
EVER
LIVED?



WAIT
HANGING
ON THE
EDGE OF
THE PRE-
TENSE

THE
END OF
THE
PRE-
TENSE



THE
CHARLES
HARRINGTON
"SECRET"
"SECRET"
"SECRET"

IS IT
FOR ME TO
GO INTO A
PLACE LIKE
THIS?

ONLY FIRST
KEEP YOUR
MOUTH SHUT
WHEN IT
STARTS.

WE WANT
AROUND
AND
AROUND
TO GET
HERE.

BUT
PLEASE
ARE
WET

OF COURSE
NOT "TALKING"
ANY MORE
HERE

ONLY THE
WIND AND
THE GREAT
WAVE ARE
ALLOWED IN
HERE









YOU
CRAFTY!

STOP!

NO,
FALCA

BA M



ADMISSION NO JOURNEN - A VISITOR FOR THE GREAT JOURNEN
PART 1/ THE END

TRANSIENT MIRAGE

Himegimi no Jouken Chapter 4

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SPIRIT FESTIVAL PART 2***

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DID THEY
SCOLD YOU
YESTERDAY
AFTERNOON?

ARE YOU
GOING TO
WALK THAT
TODAY??

IT'S
OKAY

THAT'S
JUST WHAT
I WANT TO DO

RUSTLE

BOTH GREAT
BRAIN
STAND AND
KID! WE'RE
LECTURING
ME LATE
INTO THE NIGHT

WELL,
YEAH

SOBBI

WELL

YOU
DON'T
UNDER-
STAND,
HAIKI

TODAY
IS THE
SPIRIT
FESTIVAL

CHIEF

?



ALL IS
PREPARED
HASTY

PRINCE
OVER, THE
GARDEN

YES,
ABSOL-
UTELY

PLEASE
THROW
THE
OUTER
OPEN.

LET THE
COMMON
PEOPLE
HAVE THE
CAPTAIN



HWA,
YOU TOTALLY
FELL FOR IT!

HART-
SAWA!?

WHAT?!

ON THE NIGHT
OF THE SPIRIT
FESTIVAL, THE
SPIRIT WORLD
AND THE HUMAN
WORLD ARE

NOT WHEN AN EVIL
SPIRIT JUMP CHILD
BRINGS THE
SPIRIT WORLD
BACK TO LIFE FOR
DESTRUCTION.

WHY ARE YOU
DRESSED
LIKE THAT?

IT'S A
CUSTOM.

IF NOT EVEN
HART'S DEE-
VANT CAN SEE
THROUGH THE
DISGUISE.

THEN IT'S
PERFECT!

REALLY
DON'T OBTAIN
BELIEVED
WEAR WOMEN
CLOTHING
EVEN WHEN
THEY'RE
ADULTS.

IF YOU'RE
AFRAID OF
SPIRITS.

WOULD I
DRESS LIKE
A WOMAN,
TOOT?

THAT'S WHY YOU
HAVE TO WEAR
CLOTHING OF
THE OPPOSITE
SEX TO TRICK
THE EYES OF
THE SPIRITS.

WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

FOR THE MOST EX-
TRAORDINARY COSTUME-
DRESSING, THERE ARE
THE TWO SEXES WHO
HAVE THE COMPLETELY
OPPOSITE MEANING. THAT
TWO IS A COSTUME
CONTEST...

THE PRINCESS'S
PREPPING ROOM 9

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I HAD PAGES LEFT
ONCE PUT AGAIN,
SO I'VE ADDED A
PENNY WAGON TO
THE END OF THE
POOD.
LATELY, I FELT
SOMEONE
WANTED ON TO
FLE UP HAP
THINGS FOR HIM,
SO I'VE BEEN
FEELING A LITTLE
UNEASY WHEN I
FEAR...

PLEASE KEEP A
FEDERLY DE OUT



WOW
GROSS-OUT

I'M TALKING
ABOUT MY
BROTHER
HAPPY!

HAH?

IT'S
HARD TO
BE SO
POPULAR

WHAT-
EVER YOU
SAY

THE CERECHOW IS STARTING



THE
CERECHOW
IS STARTING

PRINCESS' PRINCE
HAPPY!



A PECKER- OUT KID



YOU WERE
FLUSTERED
YESTERDAY,
SPIRIT OF
DARKNESS.



DON'T
GET IT
DIRTY.

I
WON-
DERED
IT

THAT'S
MY CER-
EMONIAL
GARB!

LET'S
GO
DUNKIN'



IF IT WERE
THE ONE TO
ATTACK, THAT
SPIRIT WOULDN'T
HAVE BEEN ABLE
TO STOP ME.

YOUR
PRINCESS
HAD A
NARROW
ESCAPE.

SPIRIT OF
WOOD?

HOW DO
LAST
HEAVEN'S
WATCH GUY?

WE DID IT
OVER AGAIN
FROM THE
BEGINNING.

I
WON.



AND
YOUR
COURT-
MARTYR?

I AM THERE
IN MY
STORM-
CLOAK.

IF THEY
CAN ONLY
CALL THEM
KIND OF
SPIRITS.

IT SEEMS
THE COUN-
TENT SPIRIT
USING THE
POWER.

SPIRIT OF
WOOD.

YOU JUST
TRY MAKING
SOMETHING
HAPPEN TO THE
PRINCESS.

YOU'LL
END UP
IN MY
STOM-
ACH.



THAT
SOUNDS
LIKE
TROU-
BLE...

IF YOU
RECALL
THAT PIR-
CE'S CLASICAL

THEN
NOTHING
COULD
EVER
HAPPEN
TO HER,
RIGHT?

ACHIEVE
LIKE
A WARRING
TANK
JEWEL.

THIS CASTLE
GUT QUEEN
PURPLE
PILAT

IS FULL
OF BLISSFUL
AND BLIND
SPOTS FOR
YOU.

ARE YOU
SOUNDING
IN ADOPT?





WHAT IF
YOU LOST
SIGHT OF HER.

AND
IN THAT
MOMENT
YOU LOST
HER?

AT THE VERY
LEAST, YOU
WOULDN'T
LOVE ABOUT
HER IF YOU
WERE HER
SCHOOLMATE,
WOULDN'T?



IT'S NOT
BECAUSE
HE'S FULL OF
HIMSELF OR
ANYTHING.

BLUE
LIZARD
SPIRIT

STOP
TEASING
HER.

SPIRIT
OF
MIND



THE OLD-
MONEY MAN
BURSTED!



HE'S JUST
WISPY-
FUSKY
ABOUT IT



IT'S SO
STRANGE.

WE EACH
HAVE
OUR OWN
PROPER
FESTIVAL
DAYS.

THIS GREAT
FESTIVAL
WHERE WE
ALL GATHER
TO CELEBRATE.

IS JUST
ONE THAT
HUMANS
HAVE
DECIDED ON
FOR THEIR
OWN
CONVENIENCE.

NEVER-
THELESS.

IF WE ALL
CHOOSE TO LET
OUR POWERS
OVERFLOW ON
THE DAY.

WHAT
WOULD
HAPPEN?



WELL,
I WALK ON
MY WAY TO THE
CASTLE

I WAS
THINKING



ARE YOU
TIRED,
PRINCE
HARRY?



I WONDER
WHAT MY
MOTHER IS
TRYING TO
DO

AND YESTERDAY, SHE
ACTUALLY
PROTECTED
ME

AND WE WERE
ATTACKED BY
MY MOTHER,
SHE DID NOT—
ING TO ME
DIRECTLY.



PRINCE
—



KEN
WANTS
ONE, TOO

DO
THAT
BUT



THAT?

KEN GAVE
IT TO ME. IT'S
A STONE TAL-
ISMAN

MAY I
SEE IT?

DO YOU
ALREADY
KNOW THAT
SECRET?





!?

THUD

SAYING

I'M
TURNING
YOUR
LIFE

FORGIVE
ME.

AND HAVE
GOTTEN
INVOLVED IN
A BURGERS
FESTIVAL
AND YOU'RE
JESTING
WITH A
FATAL ACCI-
DENT.

YOU'VE
COME TO
A BASH-
BARD COUNTRY.

THERE
ARE THOSE
WHO THINK
POORLY OF
YOU AND
YOUR
MOTHER.

AMONG
THE
UPPER
CLASS OF
ADULT.

THAT'S THE
SCENARIO.



THAT'S
WHY I
HAVE
TO...

I DON'T
WANT TO
GO THERE BY
MY OWN
HAND.

BUT MY
ALLIES WERE
ALL KILLED
BY THAT
MAGIC BEING
ON THE WAY
HERE.



WHY DON'T
YOU STOP
RAMBLING AND
JUST SHOW ME
ALREADY??

KICK

CATCH



WHY DIDN'T YOU CUT ME WHEN I GAVE YOU A CHANCE, KENT?

DO YOU REALLY FEEL HURT THAT MUCH?

IF YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU KNOW, I WON'T HAVE YOU KILLED.

WHY...

DELIAN-SAMA?



IT'S LAMBERT'S JOB

YOU KNOW MY TRUE IDENTITY, SO...



FOR ENTERTAINMENT, I WAS GOING TO PLAY THROUGH ONE IS REALITY

WHY ARE YOU ORDERING THE SAME AS MURDER?



DIE!

I WON'T!

THAT'S A
SEAL
STONE!

WHOW!



STOP
IT!

HOW
ABOUT I
BE IT
AROUND
YOUR
NECK?



TAKE IT
AWAY.

WHEN I'M
NEAR THAT THING,
THE POWER
COMING OFF IT
MAKES ME FEEL
AWFUL.



THERE ARE
ALL KINDS
OF REAL STONES

THE
LEVEL OF STONE

CAN'T
GET RID
OF ME.



DON'T
YOU
FEEL
IT?

IT'S A
STONE TO
DEFEND
SPOTS.



SPOT OF
SURPRISE!

YOU
WOULD
THE
GAMES

SAFETY
ALWAYS
LEAVING
YOU
AHEAD

BY THE
WAY, HAVE
YOU SEEN
THE PRO-
CESS?



GOING
BAMBAH

CHARLES

AND HIS DRESS
IS GETTING IN
THE WAY...

ON TOP OF
THAT,

HE'S TOUGHER
THAN I THOUGHT,



HE'S USING WEIRD
WEAPONS—













IT WAS A FEELING THAT WAS
LOST FORGOTTEN BY THE
PEOPLE OF THE ADULT
WORLD

FOR AN INSTANT, I HAD
FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE
MIRACLES AND COURAGE
OF NATURE

BUT ONE DAY



FOR AN INSTANT, I HAD
FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE
MIRACLES AND COURAGE
OF NATURE

ONE DAY, I MET AN
OCEANIC SPIRIT,
AND CAME TO
REALIZE THAT
I WAS
NOT

A STRONG WOMAN
ANYMORE



THEY WERE
GOTTEN
CLOSE

SHE TALKED ABOUT
THEIR THINGS, LIKE
THEY WERE CHILDREN
GETTING A COLD, BUT
AND A FEELING WITH HER
HONESTLY, SHE FELT
HONESTLY

I TRIED MY HARDEST
TO GET UP OF THEM,
BUT I COULDN'T COME
AHEAD THAT FREEDOM
ONLY DUE TO THE
GAL STONE



THERE WERE
PEOPLE CLOSE TO
HIM SO THAT
HE'D AFTER HIS
LIFE

IF I BECOME
THE ANCHOR,
I CAN PROTECT
YOU AT ALL
TIMES—

I'M SORRY,
BUT I CAN'T
DO THAT
ANymore



I'M
SORRY,
I'VE FOR-
GOTTEN
ABOUT
HUMAN.



THAT IF I
WORE THIS
FORM, I
WOULDN'T
ALARM
YOU...

DID IT
HAVE THE
OPPOSITE
EFFECT?

I
THOUGHT
—

B-BUT WHY
ARE YOU
WEARING MY
MOTHER'S
FORM?





THE GUL STONE IS DONE, SO I CAN FINALLY TALK WITH YOU.

HOWEVER, I'M DONE WITH THIS FORM.

GUARD ME, LIT?

HMM.

I'LL GUARD YOU.



AM I DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT?

I'VE NOTHING.



I PROMISE TO PROTECT YOU FROM ALL HARM.

I'LL BE YOUR NEW FOLLOWER.

I'LL ALWAYS BE AT YOUR SIDE.

BEFORE THAT, JUST ONE THING...

UM -



THIS?



IT SEEMS IT'S
HARD FOR
HUMANS TO BE-
LIEVE IN THINGS
THAT THEY CAN'T
SEE.

HART —

BUT HAVE
NO DOUBT,
I'LL BE
BY YOUR
SIDE

ALWAYS



FOR ALL
TIME.

IT IS GOING TO
BE MARRIED
OFF IN ALL
REASON.

NEXT
SPRING.

YEAH, I
DIDN'T WANT
TO GO SO
FAR AWAY
EITHER,

SOME PEOPLE
CAN'T STAND MY
BRAND IN ADULT,
SO IT'S ALL FOR
THE BEST.

DON'T ALL
BLAMMEY ON
THE OTHER
SIDE OF THE
CONTINENT!

BUT NOW I'M
NOT SCARED
OF SOMEBODY
LIKE THAT

MARRIED
OFF?

HOW
OLD ARE
YOU?

SO I'M A
GOOD
AGE

IT SEEMS
MY BRIDE
IS STILL
VERY
YOUNG.



THAT SHE
PROMISED TO
ALWAYS BE BY
HER SIDE,

I'M NOT ALONE
ANYMORE,

NO MATTER
HOW FAR AWAY
I GO.

THAT'S HOW
I FEEL.



USE
YOU
TARD!

WINDOUT

...



YOU'RE
GOING
OUT TO
BASK IN
THE
SUN?



WHAT?

TAMA
?

WHOEVER BECOMES
THE RULER



IS REQUIRED TO
HAVE A STRONG
GUARDIAN
SPOT



THE PRINCESS'S
REQUIREMENT

IS TO BE
LOVED

AAAAH!

BY SOMEONE
ANYWHERE IN ALL THE
WORLD,

THE GARDENER'S
GOING TO
CRY, MIREIA.

SOMEONE
IRREPLACEABLE.

SHINGO NO JOURN

A VISITOR FOR THE SPIRIT FESTIVAL PART 2 / THE END

I WANT TO SAY THIS IS A PERCEPTION... BUT IT'S ABOUT ABOUT THE WORK THAT YOU JUST READ, SO HERE'S AN EPISODE FROM WHILE I WAS DRAWING THE MARCH.

«A KIDDER FOR THE SPRING FESTIVAL»

THIS HAPPENED WHILE I WAS WORKING ON THE SECOND PART OF THIS STORY. AFTER I GOT ALL THE DRAWINGS DOWN FOR VOLUME 1, I'D GOT EVERYTHING FINISHED, AND I FELT RELIEVED. I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS THE EXCITEMENT OVER THE GLAY LIVE SHOW, OR IF I'D PUSHED MYSELF TOO HARD, OR IF IT WAS ALL THE FOOD MY ASSISTANT HAD TREATED ME TO, BUT I GOT ACUTE COLICUS FROM THE STRESS AND HAD TO BE HOSPITALIZED FOR 5 DAYS.

«BEAUTY OF THE WEST»

IT HAD THE CHANCE TO BE SERIALIZED THESE TIMES, BUT FOLLOWING THE FLOW OF THE STORY, I'D DRAWN THIS COMPLETE WORK AND THE TWO PARTS OF "NIGHT FOREST". I LIKED HOW LIGHT SHE WAS, BUT SAKADA SAID SHE WAS TOO GOOD-LOOKING. IT WAS A MISTAKE TO FORGIVE TIARA SO EARLY.

«NIGHT FOREST»

A WEEK BEFORE THE DEADLINE FOR THE SECOND PART, I LOOKED AT SOMETHING BRIGHT AND MY LEFT EYE STARTED HURTING. WHEN I WENT TO THE OPHTHALMOLOGIST, I WAS DIAGNOSED WITH INFLAMMATION OF THE EYE, OR "EYELITIS".

BUT, YOU SEE, I HAD ONE WEEK UNTIL MY DEADLINE. I MIGHT HAVE TIME TO SPARE ON GOING TO THE HOSPITAL, SO I FORCED MYSELF TO KEEP WORKING. THAT ONLY MADE IT GET WORSE, AND WHEN IT GOT REALLY PAINFUL I WAS SENT TO THE HOSPITAL AGAIN. GO TO THE HOSPITAL WHEN YOU NEED TO, SELF! (I'M COMPLETELY RECOVERED NOW.)



HIMEGIMI NO JOUKEN

BEAUTY OF THE WEST
CHAPTER 6



☪ I'M WAITING YOUR LETTERS... ☪ ☪

THANKS FOR ALL THE LETTERS OF YOUR IMPRESSIONS
OF THE FIRST VOLUME!

I CONTINUE TO WELCOME YOUR LETTERS
WITH OPEN ARMS. I MIGHT BE SUPER
SLOW, BUT I'LL DEFINITELY REPLY.

NO NEED
FOR A REPLY
STAMP...

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☪ I'M ALSO RAVING ON ME... ☪ ☪

DUE TO MY INNER DEMON, I SPEND ALL MY DAILY SPARE
TIME LINGERING OVER MY DIARY ENTRIES AND THEMATIC PIC-
TURE SCRIBBLES. AND MY SCHEDULE AND SO ON AND SO
ON. PLEASE WRITE CHEERFUL THINGS ON MY POSTING
BOARD, TOO.

朝野 聖子 - new years' words -

keep it warm not up to not no up / because /



A BUTTER-
FLY'S LINGERED
IN YOUR
HAIR...?

OH, FOR-
GIVE.

MEETS THE
PERSONNEL
REQUIREMENT?

LET'S BEGIN.



CONGRATULATIONS!

WHAT A
SCATTER-
BRAIN.

IT MUST BE
PREPARING YOU
FOR A FLOWER
LADY TUNE.

OH
MY...!



WHAT
ABOUT YOUR
OVERDO?

WHAT ARE
YOU PRING
BUTTERFLY
FOOT?

MY OLDER
SISTER
TURNS
BUTTERFLY
WITHIN SHAK
A WHISKY





LIVING
OUTCASTS?



I HAVEN'T
FINISHED
SPEAKING!



HOW
PERVERSE



BECAUSE SHE
HAD BEEN
IN CLOSE
CONTACT AND
SUSPECTED

THE
POSSIBILITY
OF AN INFLUENT
CHILD

WHAT ARE
YOU CALLING
A CROW?

AIRBORNE
VANDALS!



NOT DIFFERENT AS
THE ROYAL
FAMILY...

WHAT ARE
YOU TRYING TO
SAY, OLIVER?
BROTHER
LORD?

SERIOUSLY
WITH YOU
TWO?

LATELY, ALL
THE BODIES
REALLY ACCU-
SING WITHIN
THE CASTLE
GROUND IS
BECOMING
INCREASING!

YOU CAN'T NEED TO
MEET WITH THE
TARAKO KINGDOMS
BRANCH OFFICERS
LATE THIS?

THAT'S
ADULT CLOTHING!
ARE YOU A
CHILD OF
ADULT?

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH IT?



AT LEAST FOR
YOUR HAND
PROPERLY, A
PERSONAL
GUARD IS THE
BUT OF THE
GUARD GUARD-
ION.

A MAN OF FA-
MILIOUS KNOWLEDGE
THOUGH HAVE
AND WAS DOWN
TO BETWEEN HIS
SHOULDER BLADES!

IT SHOULD
BE TIED
TIGHTLY,
WITHOUT A
STRAND OUT
OF PLACE.

I... I'M
SORRY, I
DIDN'T HAVE
THIS BEFORE
AND...



YOU TOO,
KIRU!
WHAT'S
WITH YOUR
HEAD?

TURN



I'M JUST
WEARING
CLOTHING I
LIKE. LEAVE
ME ALONE.

NOT WEAR-
ING SUCH
PROFANE
CLOTHING!
IT'S INAP-
PROPRIATE!

WHAT
IF?

PRE-
CISE—
IT'S THE
FOUR.



OR RATHER,
SHUT UP!

WHO DO
YOU
THINK
YOU
ARE:
OUR DIS-
CIPLINE
OFFICER?

LAND MY
BROTHER!

THOSE GUYS,
THAT KIND OF
OLD-FASHIONED
APPEARANCE
DON'T POPULAR
WITH WOMEN





THAT'S BE-
CAUSE THEY'RE
NOT CLOTHES
OLDER WOMEN
CAN WEAR!

THOUGH I'M
ALSO NOT
SURE ABOUT
DURAN'S
CLOTHES...



YES!

RIGHT,
ABOUT



DON'T TAKE
THE STUNNING
WORDS SERIO-
USLY!

YOU'RE CON-
SIDERED NOT
AN OLDER WOMAN!

RIGHT,
YOU'RE STILL
YOUNG AND
BEAUTIFUL

HOW CAN
YOU TALK

THAT'S
NOT FAIR,
JUST AN
OTHER
WORD!



SELECTING A
DRESS FOR THE
MOST BEAUTIFUL
WOMAN IN THE
KING FAMILY IS
AN IMPORTANT
TASK

YOU'RE SAYING
CLOTHING
MATTER? LET ME
OFFER YOU MY
OPINION

OH, ARE
YOU THE
RE-QUEENING
LADY?

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN...



I'M
COMING
NOW,
MAYBE



THAT'S
GONE
AND YOU
UP THERE?
THE
TALLOU
IS
HERE



YOUR
OLDER
BROTHER IS A
LEGENDARY
BEAUTY

WHAT A
BOLD
STATE-
MENT!

I'M THE
PRETTIEST
WOMAN
IN THE
ROYAL
FAMILY!!

...BUT THE
PRETTIEST
WOMAN OF
THE ROYAL
FAMILY.



THERE'S A
FAN CLUB IN
THE CASTLE,
AS WELL.

RECALL IT WAS
TIME TO DECIDE
WHO WOULD BE
HER GUARD
THERE WAS A
BLOODY
STRUGGLE

WOW IS
THAT...

—BUT LAST
YEAR SHE WAS
DIVORCED AND
CAME BACK
HOME

FROM YOUR
DOTTED
MARRIED
LOVE
ORIGINAL

SO MANY MEN
WERE CALLING
DOWN BLOOD
IN DE-
SPITE THAT
THE KING
CAME AND
SAID THE CASTLE
WAS EMPTY

THERE WERE
EVEN SOME
WHO RE-
SIGNED OF
THE WORLD
AND HANGED
THEMSELVES

PRINCESS TIARA
OF PAPARUA
KNOWLEDGE

WITH HER BE-
AUTIFUL, WELL-
BROODEN GOOD
LOOKS AND HER
SEAGULL-
MANNER

THE GREAT
POET PORTOS OF
MURKAPPA
COULDN'T FIND OF
HER WHEN SHE
WAS ONLY 12
YEARS OLD

"THERE IS THE
BEAUTY OF THE
WEST."

HE SAID, AND
HIS STRUCK
BRAGGARS
BY SUCH A
LEGENDARY
BEAUTY.



LORD ORSON FINALLY NOTICED IT.

IT'S BE-CAUSE OF HER TERRIBLE PERSONALITY!

THE FACE SHE SHOWS ME IS KIND AND LOVELY, SO THERE'S NO PROBLEM!

YOU'RE ALL BRILLIANT!

THE FACE SHE SHOWS TO MEN AND THE FACE SHE SHOWS TO WOMEN ARE OBVIOUSLY DIFFERENT.

HEART NO MORE.

THIS WOMAN HAS TORMENTED ME SO MUCH EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE...

THAT'S RIGHT ♡

IF OUR WIFELEFT MY SISTER, I'D WANT TO GO AFTER HER MYSELF.

RIGHT, RIGHT?

WITH HER GOOD LOOKS AND BEAUTIFUL MEN ARE BOUND TO HAVE A FUSION OVER HER!

FACE UP TO THE FACTS, DURING.

OUR OLDER SISTER IS IN A DIFFERENT LEAGUE THAN A CHILD LIKE YOU.

BUT THE THING IS LIKE THIS, AT LEAST IS—

THE WAY HER ACT ABOUT HER IS PRETTY TERRIBLE.

WELL, OF COURSE.

WELL, OF COURSE.

A WIND
CAME
UP.

ARE YOU
NOT COLD,
THUR-
SUNG?

FORGIVE ME,
HAVE I INTER-
RUPTED YOUR
THOUGHTS?

OH, NOT
REALLY.

SHOW
ME?

OH, MY,
ARE YOU
ALL
RIGHT?

NO, I'M
FINE.

REALLY.

THIS IS
JUST...
THURUNG-SUNG
TREATED
ME TO A
DANCE.

A
DANCE?

WHAT'S
KATSUMOTO?
WHAT'S
THAT NOISE?

KIRAKU





SAY,
KIRU...

IS THE
RUMOR THAT
THE SPIRIT OF
DARKNESS IS
GUARDING
DARIAN
TRUE?



TURN-
SA...

KIRU

I WANT
YOU TO
CHERISH
ME AS YOU
DO DARIAN



YES

SA...

IF THE
RUMOR IS
TRUE, THEN
THAT ONE
WILL BE THE
DARKONE,
TOO.

THAT'S
THE FIRST
I'VE HEARD
OF IT.
IS THAT
REALLY A
DARKONE?

EVEN
THOUGH
SHE JUST
DIED, WHAT
EVER SHE
LIVED,

BEING
LOVED BY
SOMEONE
MIGHT GIVE
HER EVERY-
THING...

THIS
WORLD
IS SO
LAPFAR



THAT'S
SAME—

HAVE
ALWAYS
...

NOT
AS A
DADDY,
BUT
AS A
SINGLE
MAN



BUT I'M
NOT REALLY
THE PERSON
YOU WANT
TO BE
WITH TO
AM I?

YOU
HONOR
ME
WITH
YOUR
NOTION.



GET
AWAY
FROM
MIDLEY

WHY...

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YOU
STAY
OUT OF
THIS!!

HOW
ARRO-
GANT,
KIRU!



OH MY,
HOW WO-
WENT?

I SUIT KIRU
BETTER THAN
A CHILD LIKE
YOU DOES.

DON'T
YOU
THINK
SO?

I'M WAY
HOTTER,
OLDER
LADY!!

THE WOULD-
BE WOMAN
PLAYING HARD-
CENT SAWS
REALTY

IF WE JUST
TAKE A POPULAR
VOTE, IT'S
BORING BECAUSE
IT'S OBVIOUS
I'LL WIN.



YOU
ALWAYS
THINK YOUR
PAST
GLORY WILL
SEE YOU
THROUGH.

FANTASTIC!
A MATCH TO
SEE WHICH
OF US IS
BETTER!

HOW
ABOUT WE
MAKE OUR
RELATIVE
POSITIONS
CLEAR?



WHICHEVER THE
SPIRIT DECLARES
AS WINNER IS
THE MOST BEAUTI-
FUL WOMAN IN
THE ROYAL
FAMILY

IF I WIN,
I GET
HONOR.



WHICH OF US
IS THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL?

LET'S HAVE THE
SPIRIT OF DECA
FALL ASIDE THE
JUDGMENT.

WHY ARE YOU
GOING INTO A
COMPETITION
YOU CAN'T
WIN?





I'M SAYING IT!

TRY SAYING THAT ONE MORE TIME, KID!

WHY ARE YOU GOING INTO A COMPETITION YOU CAN'T WIN?



P-PERSONALLY, I THINK YOU'RE WAY CUTER, PRINCESS, BUT...



WATCH OUT, GIRL! I'LL BEAT YOU ALL HOLLOW!

YOU'RE ALL THE SAME!



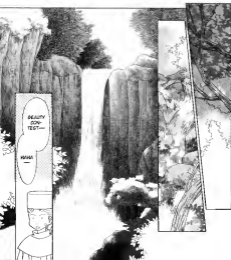
YOU THINK MY OLDER SISTER IS BETTER TOO, KID?



BEFORE I
KNEW
IT...

THE FORMER
THAT PARLAN
IS BEING
GUARDED BY
THE SPIRIT OF
RAGELESS...

STAYING,



BEAUTY
CON-
TEST—

WAAA—







HE'S
WAITING
IN THE
SHADE

IN MY
OLDER
SISTER
ALL
RIGHT

I'LL BE
WATCHING
THAT
GANG



KUTY

Charles

SHALL I
HELP YOU
WITH YOUR
MARRIAGE?



PLEASE
CARRY—

BECAUSE I'VE
GOT NO ONE TO
HELP ME FOR IT
UP!

YOU PUT
ON TOO
ALSO?



BACK THEN, I
WAS SO ANGRY
THAT I DIDN'T
THINK ABOUT
IT.

BUT
AREN'T
THE
PILLS
FOR
NORMAL

A PLACE
ONE
COULD
TO BE
HEALED OR
TO FIGHT?



WELL

DID THE
PILLS
EVER
KNOW MY
OLDER
SISTER
WELL?

HEY,
KUTY.

I'VE
NEVER
HEARD ANY-
THING LIKE
THAT.





...
BESIDES, THERE'S
PLENTY OF
OTHER
SPIRITS.

THE
FALLS
SHARDON
LOOKED
LIKE HE
KNOWS
IT AND
STAYS
TOO.

DON'T IT
SEEM TO
SUDDENLY
HAVE A
BEAUTY
CONTRAST?



THAT'S
TRUE...



IS THAT
TURA-SARA'S
EX-
HUSBAND
LORD
ORRICK,
IS SO
NOW?

BUT IT'S
NEED
THAT SHE
WENT TO
THE TROU-
BLE OF
DISABLING
ME AND
IT.

SO SHE
WAS
TAKING
THE OP-
PORTUNITY
TO COME
HERE AND
FIGHT?



FOR
TURA-SARA?
YOU'RE
KILLED
LIFE?

SOME-
THING I
DREA-
MED...



SOME
KIND OF
PLAN.

TURA-
SARA MAY
HAVE





IT'S ALL
LIES

BUT
TAKAH-SAKA
HURD YOU
TO BE HER
SLAVE

REALLY?
IT'S A
SARAS
SHE DO
THAT

NO MATTER
HOW ANYONE
BEGS YOU
YOU'D NEVER
LEAVE
TAKAH-SAKA,
RIGHT?



IT SEEMS
HARD TO BE A
MAN AROUND
SARAS-SAKA

PLEASE
TAKAH-
SAKA

YOU'RE
NOT SUCH
AN EX-
PRES-
SION...



YOU'RE
REALLY
ENTHUS-
IASTIC

ARE YOU
PRIVING
FOR LORD
ORDONT

BOTH MY AUNT-
MAE,

I DON'T
KNOW

IT WAS
JUST SOME-
THING THAT
WAS DECIDED
BETWEEN MY
FATHER AND
LORD ORSON

AND MY
DAD

—

OH MY,
DARLAN, HAVE
YOU FORGOT-
TEN WHY
WE'RE COME
HERE?

THAT'S
WHAT
I'M
THINKING
ABOUT

...WHY DID
YOU GET
DIVORCED?

SO HE
DIVORCED
YOU FOR
YOUR OWN
GOOD
REASON?

NOH...
THAT'S...

AFTER THE
DIVORCE, I
HEARD THROUGH
THE GOSPEL THAT
LORD ORSON WAS BL...

IT'S A GOS-
PEL BLISS...
AND THEY SAY
HE CAN'T BE
BLESSED

YOU CAN
HAVE A
FRESH
START...

IN ANY CASE,
I WASN'T
NEEDED?

AS IF YOU
KNOW
ABOUT IT!

DARLAN, MY
MOTHER—







WATER
OF
REGA?!

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

WHO
HAS
STOLEN
THE

WHAT IS
THIS?

WHAT
WILL I
DO WITH
YOU?

YOU TWO
ARE
REALLY
VERY
SLIP!

ARE YOU
SURPRISED?
I'M THE
GHOST OF
REGA FALLS.



RUMBLE

RUMBLE

RUMBLE



IT'S FINE IF
YOU JUST TOSSED
OUT THE HEAL-
ING WATER IN
THAT LITTLE
CONTAINER.

HEALING
WATER



THIS IS
A SECURITY
SYSTEM TO KEEP
PEOPLE FROM
JUST COMING IN
AND TAKING
WATER.



LET US OUT,
YOU LITTLE
BEARDED
GUY.

DON'T
MESS WITH
ME.

GPAH

IT'S NOT
NOT TO LET
US OUT

I'LL KILL
YOU.



IF YOU
WANT IT,
ANYONE CAN
TAKE IT.
BUT...

IT'S MAGIC
WATER THAT
INSTANTLY
HEALS ANY
WOUNDS

HEALING
WATER

BECAUSE THOSE
WHO HAVE IT MUST
USE IT IN EXCHANGE
FOR THE HEALTH OF
THE PERSON THEY
LOVE MOST



NO ONE
CAN HAVE
IT.



SISTER

...

ARE
YOU AN
IDOTT?

WHO
TALKS
LIKE
THAT?

SO YOU LIKE
LORD ORSON
AFTER ALL?

SISTER
HELL~

IT'S NOT
LIKE
THAT...

THAT MAN
PROMISED
TO MAKE ME
HAPPY.

TO BE
ABLE TO
HAVE YOU AS
MY BRIDE

I'M SO UN-
CONSCIOUSLY
Lucky,

HE SAID
HE WAS
DELIGHTED
TO MARRY ME,

AND HE
PROMISED
WE'D BE
HAPPY TO-
GETHER.

MY
BELOVED
TADA.

WHY, YOU
WERE LORD
ORSON'S
WIFE?

YOU SHOULD
HAVE SAID
SOMETHING
SOONER.

SPLASH

WHEN YOUR
HUSBAND LADEN-
STOOD HIS SL-
MNESS, HE CAME
TO BRUH FILLIS
RIGHT AWAY.

I
PROMISED
LORD ORSON

YES

THAT'S
ALL
I
WANT

WELL

ARE
YOU
FOR-
GIVING
ME?

I CAN'T EX-
CHANGE THE
HEALTH OF MY
WIFE.

SAYING
THAT, HE
PRAYED FOR
YOU TO HAVE
PEACE AND
HEALTH AND
THEN HE RE-
TURNED HOME.

SINCE HE
OFFERED
THAT PRAYER
TO ME, I HAD
TO ACCEPT
IT.

HE...?

MY
FEROCIOUS
TIANA.

I AM SO
LUCKY

IT SEEMED
HE DIDN'T
KNOW MUCH
ABOUT THE
HEALING
WATER.

HEH
IT

HE...
?

HE HAD AN
INCREDIBLE
BLINDS.

WHEN I
TOLD HIM
THE PRICE
REQUIRED TO
OBTAIN THE
WATER,

HE ASKED IF
HE COULD
PLEASE
HAVE SOME
HEALING
WATER.



BUT IT'S
NOT JUST
LIVING LONG
THAT MAKES
IT GOOD.

A LONG
LIFE IS A
GOOD
THING.

YOU
KNOW,
LADY
HYP.



IN THE
SHORT
TIME
REMAIN-
ING?

THERE
AREN'T
THREE
THINGS
THAT YOU
WOULD
DO

IF HIS
LIFE WILL
NOT BE
MUCH
LONGER.



I WON'T
BE FOR-
GIVEN FOR
JUST
ACTING AS
I PLEASE

BUT A
ROYAL MAR-
RIAGE IS A
PROBLEM OF DIPLO-
MACY

I
KNOW!

OH-
YES!



WHAT
CAN I DO
NOW?

BUT HE
AND MY
FATHER
ARE
ENDING
IT.

I WANT
TO BE
WITH
HIM.





I'LL WEAR
WHAT I
LIKE,

GO
WHERE I
LIKE,

AND MAKE
THE MAN I
LIKE MY
HUSBAND.

WHY
SHOULD I
CARE
ABOUT
WHOEVER
CRITICIZES
ME?

**SHUT
UP!**



LIKE I EVEN
KNOW WHAT
COUNTRY THESE
CLOTHES ARE
FROM!

I CHOSE
THESE
MYSELF.

I'M IN THE
ROYAL FAMILY,
SO I'M NOT IN
UNIFORM.
SORRY.



SHUT
UP,
LAND!

YOU'RE NOT LISTENING!

THAT'S
NOT...

ANYWAY,
YOU...

I'M SAYING
THIS IS—
CAUSE WE'RE
FAMILY.

IT'S NONE
OF YOUR
BUSINESS.

SHE'S
AL-
READY
SAID
IT.

SO BE
QUIET.

CHOOSING
THE CLOTHING
YOU'LL WEAR
IS AN IMPOR-
TANT JOB
FOR A
WOMAN.

I'M SAYING
THAT THOSE
SHAMELESS
CLOTHES SUIT
YOU!

—I'M NOT
COMPLIMENT-
ING YOUR
CLOTHING.





YOU'RE HELP-
LESS.

HOW TO EXCHANGE
OUR
RING??

DO YOU
KNOW HOW
TO RIDE A
CARRIAGE?

YOUR
PASS FOR
BUTTERFLY
BRIDGE?

DID YOU
GET YOUR
TRAVELING
DOCU-
MENTIST?



KATY?

I'LL GO
WITH
YOU.

I WAS
THINKING OF
COMING
WITH YOU,
BUT...



YOU
DON'T
NEED TO
DO THAT
FAR.

I'LL LOOK
FOR A GOOD
APPROACH
FOR YOU
TOO.

KATY

IT'S
THE
SAME
THING.

IF THAT
HAPPENS, I'LL
BECOME YOUR
BODYGUARD IN
LORD ORSON'S
CASTLE.

YOU
CAN'T!

IF FATHER
FINDS OUT,
YOU'LL BE
FIRED
FROM THE
GUARDS!



SHE
CAN'T
COME
SEE YOU
OFF—

KATY

FOR TWO
OR THREE
DAYS.

DURAN SAYS
SHE'LL BUY
YOU SOME TIME
BY PRETEXTING
TO BE YOU IN
YOUR ROOM.

WELL, I'M
A
GROOM.



AND
MAKE
THE MAN
I LOVE MY
HUS-
BAND.

I'LL GO
WHERE I
LIKE.

I'VE DE-
CIDERD TO
TRY TO
FOLLOW
DARWIN'S
EXAMPLE.

KIRU

I LIKED
YOU.



I'LL
GRAB
HIS
THROAT
WITH
THESE
HANDS

NEXT TIME
LORD
ORSON
TRIES TO
SEND ME
AWAY.

NO
MATTER
WHO
GRIFF-
IZES
ME.

TAKE
CARE OF
MY
LITTLE
SISTER.



OH MY
PLEASE
STOP!

IN THAT
CASE YOU
TWO REALLY
ARE SO-
LING.

HAS
SHE
GONE?



THAT WOMAN
CAN ONLY DO JUST
HER TRICK. OR
USE HER FEAR-
FUL CHARMS, OR
SOME OTHER OF
HER VARIETY OF
SPECIAL
MOVES.

WILL LORD
ORSON
WELCOME
HER?



WORRY-
ING FOR
HER IS
USE-
LESS.



KATY
WENT
WITH
HER.

SHE WAS ABLE
TO USE THE FLYING
DRAGONS, SO
SHE'LL ARRIVE AT
LORD ORSON'S
CASTLE SOMETIME
TOMORROW.



KATY

SHE'LL
BE
LONELY.



SO,
WHEN I'VE
BECOME
THE QUEEN,

WILL
YOU

AND
BECOME
SOME KING-
DOM'S
QUEEN

I'LL DEFIN-
ITELY GIVE A
POWERFUL
EMPEROR

BE MY
HUSBAND?

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
ANSWER
RIGHT
AWAY, BUT

PRINCE

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
ANSWER
RIGHT
AWAY!!

HUH
!?

HUH
...



...

INC...

INCORRECTLY, IF
I SAY
NO...

DEATH
BY DE-
MISE-
ING



YOU
CAN'T

SAY
NO.



MY OLDER
SISTER
WANT TO
SEEK HER
HAPPY-
NESS.

I WON'T
LOVE TO
HER.



WELL—

ANYWAY,
WITH
THIS



IT'S DECIDED
THAT I'M
THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL
WOMAN IN
THE ROYAL
HOUSEHOLD



HOW DO
YOU
FIGURE
THAT...

THE KING-
DOM'S ROYAL
MASTERS OF
WORDS IS
PRETTY
POPULAR,
TOO

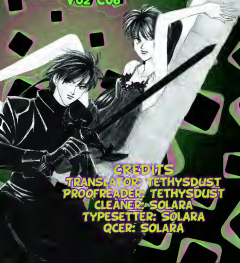
WHAT?!



HENCEON NO DOUBT IN
BEAUTY OF THE WEST & THE END

TRANSIENT MIRAGE

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THE NIGHT FOREST
PART 1





CALLING
NAMES

THE SHORTCUT
TO THE NIGHT
FOREST



I'M
LOST!

...
WELL
...



IF I CALL,
HE'LL DEFIN-
ITELY
COME RUN-
NING...

WOW...
DAM...
I WONDER
IF I SHOULD
CALL

I GUESS I
SHOULDN'T
HAVE COME
INTO THE
FOREST.

I THOUGHT
IT WOULD BE
A SHORTCUT
IF I CROSSED
THROUGH
HERE...



PERCH



WOW...

HEH...

Crumble



Food!

HE'S EATING
♡

I'VE
NEVER
SEEN THE
END OF
IT! BEFORE.

HOW
FAST!

IT'S
GLOWING
GOLD.



YOU
CAN'T
HAVE THAT

GO AWAY

WAIT

NO



LOOK!

TAKE IT





IT'S AGE
DAYS OR
AFTER
ALL

YOUR
DISTER?
DO SHE
GONT



TYERS ARE
USUALLY
THE GUNE
AGE

COME
IN GO-
BY?

SUNG,
HOW OLD
ARE
YOU??



WAS
ALREADY
UNCON-
SCIOUS



IT'LL BE
TWO OR
THREE
DAYS —



KERGUL!

WHOA!



POOR-CHES!

GOOD MORNING!

GOOD MORNING!



YOU TWO GET ALONG WELL.

PLEASE, MY SUNDRIES ARE ♡



IT'S NOT GOOD TO WORK TOO MUCH.

TAKE A DAY OFF ONCE IN A WHILE.

THAT WAS MY FIRST EDUCATION IN A HALF A YEAR.

THEY CALLED ME OUT FROM HARE-SHE'S SHOP WHEN YOU RAN OFF.

AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE ON VACATION? ♡



DON'T GO AWAY—

JUST BECAUSE THEY SURVIVED YOU WHILE YOU WERE ENJOYING YOURSELF AT SOME SATISFY SHOP.

HARE-SHE'S SHOP IS A WEIRD STORE!

EVEN IF I WANTED TIME OFF, YOU FIRE YOUR PERSONAL GUARDS LEFT AND RIGHT, SO WE CAN'T MAKE UP SHIFTS!

HEY ♡



WELL...

AS LONG AS
STAYS IN THE
VILLAGE,
DON'T WORRY
ABOUT THE
PRINCESS

YOU'VE
BEEN COM-
ING
AROUND
ALL NIGHT,
RIGHT?

WELL, I'LL
FORGIVE
YOU A GOOD
NO, JUST
RELAX



I'M
GONE

THIS IS MY
NEIGHBOR
SISTER. WHEN
YOU'RE FINISHED
WITH YOURS, PLEASE,
WILL YOU
SHOW
ME AROUND THE
VILLAGE?



I THINK
THAT'S YOUR
TYPE, YOU
SCHOOL-AGED-BOY
LOVER!

BUT HOW
LONG ARE
YOU GOING
TO BE IN
SCHOOL?



I KNOW
HOW YOU
FEEL



OH,
MY!

WELL,

WAS THAT
PRETTY
LADY JUST
NOW?

YES,
SHE IS

WELL,



SHE
WOULDN'T
LOOK
SO

EVERY-
ONE'S SO
SUR-
PRISED



WHEN I
CALLED HER
GRAND AUNT,
SHE SCOLDED ME

SHE SAID
IT MADE HER
FEEL LIKE A
TOTALLY
MIDDLE-
AGED WOMAN

CHARGE

NO MATTER
HOW YOU COUNT
IT, 98 YEARS
IS AN OLD
SCANNY!

WOW
SCANNY!



SHE HAS
STRONG MAGICAL
POWER, AND IT
SEEMS ONE OF
THE EFFECTS OF IT
IS THAT SHE
BARELY AGES

ALL IN ALL,
GRAND-GRAND
IS A GREAT
GAG

YOU CALL
HER
GRAND-GRAND?



HURRY!

THE KING'S
FATHER
HAS COME
HERE!

WHICH
ONE IS
SHE?

GRAND-GRAND



THAT?
PRINCESS
GRAND-GRAND?

WOW!



PRINCESS
GRAND-GRAND? THE
CURRENT
KING'S
FATHER?
RIGHT?

GRAND-GRAND

IT'S BEEN
ONE HUNDRED
YEARS
FROM THE
CASTLE. COME ALL
THE WAY OUT
HERE!

PRINCESS,
TALK TO THE
KING OF
THE OLD
FLOWER



GRAND-GRAND

WOW!
TWO?





YES. THEY TELL
ME THAT THE
GUARDIAN
SPIRIT CAME
TO GUARD ME
SOON AFTER I
WAS BORN.

I DON'T
REMEMBER
IT, THOUGH.

DEAR, DO
YOU HAVE
A GUARDIAN
SPIRIT YOUR?



THE DAN-
DELION
SPIRIT?

IS
SHE
RIGHT?

AND YOU
REMEMBER...

ISN'T THAT
PERSON
RIGHT THERE
YOUR
GUARDIAN
SPIRIT?



I THOUGHT
THAT IT WAS
LIKE A VILLAGE
WHERE SPIRITS
AND HUMANS
LIVED TOGETHER
IN HARMONY.

THERE
MIGHT BE A
SPIRIT WHO'D
GUARD ME.



RIGHT
NEXT
TO YOU.

YES.



BUT IT
LOOKS LIKE
EVERYONE'S
ALREADY TAKEN.

IT'S NOT LIKE
I HATE HORCEA
AND WANT TO
GET A DIFFERENT
SPIRIT.

WANT
TO TRY
ANOTHER
TRIAL?

THERE ARE
ALSO SOME
SPIRITS IN THE
VILLAGE THAT
AREN'T GUARDING
ANYONE.

WHA-
GERS.

YOU
KNOW THAT
MURDER?

I'M
SORRY.

THERE'S
NO CALL
FOR US TO
LEAVE
HERE.

YOU'RE
ALREADY GOT
SOMEONE
WAITING WITH YOU.

YOU'RE
THE KING'S
HIGHEST
DEPUTY-
TEST?

WHO
WOULD
DOUBT
THAT TO
JUDGE
YOU
RIGHT?

I THINK
THERE
AREN'T ANY
SPIRITS LEFT.

IT'S NOT
JUST US.

SOMEONE
WANTED
MURDER?

HE'S NOT
GUARDING
HER.

HMP?



I GOT
KIDNAPED



SHUT
UP!

THAT
UP



IT'S
WELL

HE'S
NOT
FINDING

IT'S
TRUE

HE'S
ENTERED
A
MURDER
SCENE

HE'S
GO
UNDER
A
NET

HE
KNOWS
HE
DIED

WHY
DON'T
WE
GO
HERE







YOU WERE
IN THE
ACCIDENT
FIFTEEN-
DAY...

YOU



HERE
PA-DO



YOU



I THOUGHT
THEY WENT
EXTINCT
LONG AGO



THAT'S
UNUSUAL.
DON'T THEY
A WHILE AGO?

LAST
GUILD?





WANTS
WISDOM?



OH
DEAR.

WHO
WAS YOU
BROUGHT
WITH YOU?

WHO ARE
YOU?



IF I DON'T GET A POWERFUL SPIRIT-
UAL SPIRIT, OR
MORE SO-UPPER
SPIRITS THAN MY
USUAL LEVEL,
OF THE TIME I'M
SEVENTEEN.

THEN MY
BROTHER
ALON WILL
BECOME THE
POWER.

—DO
WANT TO
KNOW
IT.

AND THAT'S
WHY I'VE
GOT TO TRY
HARDER.

SPIRIT
OF THE
VENUS
DIED.



YOU'RE
FORGESS
SUCHAL
THE ONE
EVERYONE
IS TALKING
ABOUT IN
THE VI-
LAGE, RIGHT?

PLEASED
TO MEET
YOU I'M THE
SPIRIT OF
THE VENUS
DIED.



OH!
♡

I'M NOT
GUARDING
ANYONE, AND I
NEITHER LOVE
YOU.

WILL YOU
GUARD
ME?



I CAN'T
GUARD
YOU...

IT'S
USELESS
AFTER
ALL!



BUT I CAN'T
BE YOUR
GUARDIAN
SPIRIT.



— BUT
CLOSE YOUR
EYES AND
OPEN YOUR
MOUTH
WIDE.

?



IT SEEMS
THE LITTLE
GUY LIKES
YOU ARE
WELL.

WHEN THE
TIME COMES,
THAT WILL
SAVE YOU.

I REAL-
LY LIKED IT...

WHAT FOR
THAT, JUST
SOUP?

I...





WAS IT
WORTH
IT?

YOU CAME
ALL THE WAY
FROM THE
CASTLE TO
FIND IT,
RIGHT?

YES.



THAT'S
RIGHT.

ALMOST
ALL OF THE
VILLAGERS?

YES, SO
THERE ARE
LESS SPIRITS
HERE NOW.

I MET LOTS
OF SPIRITS
IN THE VIL-
LAGE.

BUT I
DIDN'T THINK
SO MANY
SPIRITS
COULD JUST
MIX WITH
HUMANS
LIKE THAT.

SOME-
HOW.

IT'S A
MAGICAL
VILLAGE.

YOU MAY
NOT BELIEVE
ME, BUT IN
THE TIME OF
YOUR ANCESTOR,
QUEEN
FARAH,

AND
PRECEDE,

BUT NOW,
ONLY
ABOUT
HALF OF
THEM HAVE
ONE.

IN THE PAST,
ALMOST EVERY
VILLAGER HAD
A SPIRIT
SLAVER.

EVERY-
ONE'S
LIVING AS
IF THIS IS
TOTALLY
NATURAL.



FOR ALMOST
EVERY CITIZEN
TO HAVE A
SPIRIT
GUARDIAN.

IT'S SAID
THAT IT
WAS
NORMAL.

NO...

RATHER,
GREAT
BAGS
OF GOLD.

WHY DID
THE SPIRITS
GOVERN
HUMANITY IN
THE FIRST
PLACE?

WHY DID
THEIR
BODIES
BECOME
LESS
GUARD-
LIKEN?

DO YOU
FINALLY
INTEND TO
SERIOUSLY
LISTEN TO ONE
OF MY LEC-
TURES?



WHAT HAS
CHANGED
SINCE YOU
NAMED THE
DARKEN
SPIRIT AS A
GUARDIAN?

UHH
MAY...

DO YOU
THINK OF
THEIR IN
TERMS OF
GIVING
MAGICAL
POWER?

PRINCESS,
HOW DO YOU
THINK OF
GUARDIAN
SPIRITS?



YEN-CHEN.

A GARDEN SPIRIT IS A BLESSING.



BUT I NEVER HAD STOMACH PROBLEMS IN THE FIRST PLACE.

THAT'S WHAT I MEAN.

FROM THE POWER OF THE DANGER-LOUS MESSINE, IT SEEMS MY STOMACH CAN'T BE HURT.



AND THE OTHER WAS BLESSED BY THE CHACK-PEA SPIRIT.

LONG AGO, THERE WERE TWO SISTERS WHO LOOKED VERY ALIKE.

ONE WAS PLAGUED BY THE WIND-IND SPIRIT,



THE OTHER USED HER SPIRIT'S POWER FOR WORK.

SHE DECIDED HOW TO DO THINGS LIKE CREATING WIND.

BUT IT IS SAID THAT'S HIGHLY RARE.

HER CHACK-PEA SOUP WAS MORE DELICIOUS THAN THAT MADE BY ANYONE ELSE.

BUT THAT WAS ALL.



JUST TO CONFIRM
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT, I
CAN'T SEE
MIRREN ANY-
MORE?

...I
DON'T
REALLY
OBT. IT.

WE
WERE
FRIENDS!



DON'T
BE
WIS-
TAKEN.

SPIRITS
MIGHT APPEAR
BEFORE
MIRREN IN
THE FORM OF
A PERSON,
BUT THEY
ARE NOT
HUMAN.



IT SHOWS
THAT ONE
BORN
ONTO THIS
EARTH IS
WEL-
COMED

THAT'S
WHAT IT
SYMBOL-
IZES

IS PROOF
THAT YOU
ARE AC-
CEPTED BY
THIS
WORLD.

TO A SPIRIT,
BECOMING A
PERSON IS
AN EXPRES-
SION OF
LOVE

TO BE
LOVED BY
A SPIRIT.

IN EACH
OF THESE
GRAINS
OF SAND,
THERE IS
A TINY
SPIRIT



SPIRITS
PERMEATE ALL
THINGS.

LOOK,

BEACH AND
BUSHES ARE
BEINGS THAT
ARE MUCH
CLOSER TO
US

THEY DON'T
NEED
THEY HAVE
NO SOCIETY
OR HIERAR-
CHY



HUMAN
REASONING
DON'T
APPLY TO
THEM

THEY
SIMPLY
DWELL
THERE



IN YOU,
TOO



YOU CAN'T
FEEL SPIRITS
THAT ARE TOO
LARGE OR TOO
SMALL, SO
YOU DON'T
NOTICE THEM,

ALL
THINGS
THEY'RE
REALLY
IN SO MANY
THINGS

FEELS A
LITTLE
CREEPY

IN
ME?

THERE'S
A SPIRIT
IN ME?

YOU'RE
STILL
HERE

IT'S BEEN
A WHILE,
SPIRIT OF
DARK-
NESS

THERE ARE
PEOPLE
WHO CALL
IT YOUR
SPIRIT OR
YOUR
SOUL...

THAT'S
RIGHT.

HAH??

IF THEIR
SOURCE IS
TAKEN BY
DEATH, SPIRITS
CAN'T STAY IN
THIS WORLD.

WHEN YOU
DIE, YOUR
SPIRIT WILL
PASS
THROUGH
THE NIGHT
FOREST

ON THE
STRENGTH
OF THE SATO
IS A WORLD
WIDE BOSS
IT'S...

IT'S ALL ABOUT
THEIR SATO
WORLD BOSS
WORLD

BUT
THINGS DON'T
ALWAYS GO
ACCORDING
TO LOGIC.

WAS IT
JUST MY
IMAGINATION
THAT WORKS
AND I HAVE
FRIENDS?

CAN
HUMAN
AND SPIRIT
IT'S NOT BE
FRIENDS?

BASED
ON LOGIC,
TO SAY
THAT'S
SO.

AHA... I
FEEL KIND
OF LIKE I
BOTH DO
AND DON'T
GET IT...

HOW'S THAT?
STORIES ARE
GOOD ONCE IN
A WHILE,
RIGHT?

IN THE
END,

THAT THE
SPIRIT OF
TURNING IS
CONNECTED
WITH A HUMAN
GIRL.

THE
BLACK
WAS
TRUE.



YOU'RE
THE STRONG-
EST SPIRIT IN
THE WORLD.

I DON'T
DO THAT.

I CAN'T STAND
HOW EVERY
SINGLE PERSON
IS ASKING A
FAVOR ABOUT WHAT
I DON'T GUARD
HER.

I WANT TO
BE LEFT
ALONE.



IT'S NOT
LIKE THE
TROUBLES
OF 800
YEARS AGO
HAVE GONE
AWAY.

IT ISN'T
PROPER FOR
A HUMAN TO
HAVE THAT
MUCH POWER.

THAT'S WHY
WE'RE THE
YOUNGER
SPIRITS. I'M
AGAINST YOU
GUARDING
HER.

—SPIRIT
OF DARK-
NESS



AND AFTER
THAT HUMAN'S
DEATH, THEY
PASSED
THROUGH THE
SHINING GATE
TOGETHER.

THERE HAVE
BEEN SPIRITS
WHO LIVED
TOGETHER IN
HARMONY
WITH THE
HUMAN THEY
LOVED.

WHA?

HOW ABOUT
SPENDING
YOUR LIFE
WITH THAT
GIRL. JUST
LIVE TOGETHER.

THAT'S
ALREADY WHAT
YOU'VE
DONE TO THE
TROUBLE OF BE-
COMING A HUMAN
VESSEL.

THAT'S
NOT WHAT
I...
I'LL
KEEP HER
GUARDED.





WILL YOU BE MY
SUPPORT?

FROM WHEN
YOU STARTED, IT
DIDN'T SEEM TO
BE UNACQUITTED
LOVE ON YOUR
PART, RIGHT?

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THE NIGHT FOREST PART 2













Don't think
this is the
end of
this.

Hehe...

SAVE
US!

AAA
AAA

WELL
YOU
SCARED
I

JUST
KIDDING

I'M
SCARED!

I WAS
THINKING TO
GIVE THE FALLEN
PLAYERS TO
THOSE GUNS
JUST NOW

THERE'S
ONLY A
GUN

WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?

THANK
YOU FOR
RESCUING
HIM.

YOU
AREN'T IN
THE WRONG
HERE.

I DON'T
PLAN TO
BE --

DO THAT
ONLY
YOURSELF
GREAT



WOULD YOU
HELP ME
FROM THEM
UP, KODAI

THAT
WENT A
LITTLE...

AND I
REALLY
CAN GET
ANYTHING
I WANT

AFTER ALL, HE
WAS TALKING
ABOUT TURNING
HIS LITTLE DIS-
TRESS INTO A
PRINCESS...

DISMISS
YOUR
OWN
PROBLEMS
AND
CONCENTRATE
ON THE
MATTER AT
HAND

IT'S
NOT
YOUR
PROBLEM



ACK!

POOR
CHILD

BE CAREFUL,
THERE'S A LOT OF
DANGER
OUT THERE
AROUND
HERE

HEAR



THAT'S
DANGER-
OUS!

NO,
I'M FI-

STOP
THAT! I'LL
GET IT

NOYAY



CRACK
CRACK

WHO-
OOA!

IT'S NO
WHERE I
LIKE,

PRIN-
CESS!



AND MAKE
THE MAN I
LIKE MY HUSB-
BAND!

WEAR THE
CLOTHING I
LIKE,

BECAUSE
I AM ESPECI-
ALLY
BLESSSED.

I CAN
SEE THOSE
THINGS

THAT'S
RIGHT,

HOLD
ONE

P-RAM!



TO YOUR LEFT
NOW

ARE
YOU
OK
RIGHT?

YOU FELL
DOWN A
SECOND
OFF.

DO YOU
REMEMBER?

SHOULD I
BEAT THE
DRUM?

I
ALWAYS
WANTED
TO SEE
YOU AGAIN.

WHY
HAD I SAID
I COULD
NEVER SEE
YOU...

MIRCEA!

THERE'S
SO MUCH
I WANT
TO TALK
TO YOU
ABOUT...

LETTER-
AHEAD,
FUTURE.



Falling

THUD
○



PAPA
NEVER BE
ABLE TO
GO BACK.

ESCAPE NOW
IF WE DON'T
GET YOU OUT
OF THIS
FOREST
SOON.



BUT
MAYBE
LET'S GO.

DO YOU
KNOW
THE WAY
OUT?

NO.

THE
FOREST
LOOKS...

WHEN YOU
DIE...

THIS POWER
MIGHT BE...

WHY IS
THIS PLACE?

THIS
POWER...

YOUR
SPIRIT WILL
PASS
THROUGH
THE RIGHT
PORTAL

ON THE
OTHER SIDE
OF THE
GATES IS A
WORLD
WHERE
SPIRITS ARE

IT WILL
PASS
THROUGH THE
SABBING
GATES AND GO
TO THE NEXT
WORLD

LET'S GO
FOR HELP,
AFTER ALL

HEY

!

!?

OHAY
I'LL
CALL
NEXT

IT'S AL-
RIGHT

IF I CALL
I'LL COME
RUNNING NO
MATTER
WHERE I AM



I CAN'T
GO ANY
FURTHER
WITH MY
POWER.

TO HOLD
MY HAND...

SHOULD
PLEASE.
CALL...

...CALL
AND
NAME.

WUT?

HURRY
I

WUT?

JUST A WHILE
AGO, I...

NAME...

WUT?

WUT?

VAHSH

WHEN I CALL,
THERE'S ALWAYS
SOME HARD TO LET
ME UP

AT A TIME LIKE
THIS.

WHAT
HAPPENING?





NO
NAME

LAST
REMARK



IT
SEEMS
YOU'VE
BEEN
SCARED
FROM HIM

There's must
be a cat
with a silver-
the heart...

IF YOU
DON'T
LEAVE
SOON, IT
WILL BE
TOO LATE.

ONLY
GHOSTS
CAN COME
IN HERE.



THANKS
...



GO
SPEAK
& TELL
MURDER

THERE'S
NO ROAD
OUT HERE
GOING
ANYWAY.

I'M
LOST...



JUST FOR
A LITTLE
WHILE COULD
I TAKE YOUR
PLACE?



WHAT'S
THAT?

ARE YOU
REALLY
IT LIKE
THAT
GLADLY?



IS THAT
ALRIGHT
WITH
YOU?

YES.



NEXT
TIME WE
MEET, IT'S
YOUR
TURN.



—THEN
IT'S A
PROMISE.



GO
NOW.

IF YOU
STAY IN
THE
FOREST
FOR LONG,
YOU WON'T
REMEMBER
ANYTHING.



JUST
LIKE
ME —



ARE YOU
LOST?

HAVE I MET THEM
SOMEWHERE
BEFORE?

YOU'RE
WRONG!

WAS THERE
CHILDREN



YOU
KNOW
YOU
CAN'T
COME
BACK!

IT'S
FINE
BUT...

IS IT
ALRIGHT
IF I
COME
WITH YOU?

I'M
ALREADY
SO
EXHAUSTED
SOMEHOW

I WANT
TO LEAVE
THIS
FOREST...

WE'VE
GONE
THROUGH
TWO GATE



COUGH







Grab



WHOA!

OH NO!

I'M LOSING
SIGHT OF HIM!



COME
FOLLOW ME
THIS

POPE
SAVING

OF THIS
WANT?

NOW, WON'T
YOU SAY TO NOT
LET GO

KIRU







SO SHE
WENT INTO
HER

IT SEEMS
SHE DIDN'T
WANT TO BE
FURTHER
FROM HER
MOTHER.

LOOK, THE
CHECKER
SPIRIT IS
GONE.

THEY WENT
TO GIVE
YOU THEIR
REGARDS,
SANDY.

YES. I MET YOUR
SISTER AND THE
CHECKER SPIRIT
AT THE GARDEN
DATE.

WE'LL PLAY
TOGETHER
AGAIN ON THE
OTHER SIDE.

TAKE YOUR
TIME.



THE CHECKER
SPIRIT AND THE
WINDWARD SPIRIT
WERE FRIENDS
THAT PLAYED WITH
US WHEN WE
WERE CHILDREN.

IN OUR AP-
PEARANCE, AND
IN OUR MENTAL
ABILITIES.

AS THINGS
ARE, THEY
WERE VERY
CLOSE —



AT THE
SAME
TIME, MY
HEART
FELL IN LOVE.

AND I
STUDIED
ABROAD AT
A UNIVERSITY
IN
KILGARRAH
AS A SMART
GIRL.

ALONG WITH
IT, MY OWN
MAGICAL
ABILITY
INCREASED.



THE YEAR-WIND
SPIRIT, WHICH
CLASPED ME,
BECAME MY
DEAREST INTO
A POWERFUL
SPIRIT OF
WIND.

ONE DAY, WE
DREAMED TO
DECIDE WHO
WOULD STAY
EACH OF US.



WITH HER FAMILY
AND THE TOWN-
PEOPLE, SHE
LIVED A LIFE OF
LOVE AND OF
BEING LOVED.

AND I'VE COL-
LECTED AS WELL
AS ALL MY
STUDENTS, FROM
AND FROM
PROFESSORS
AND ALL
JERUSALEM.

THEY SAID
AND WAS A
MAGICAL, IN-
TELLIGENT
FAMILY.



AREN'T
YOU
HAPPY?

WHAT
ABOUT
YOU,
DUNCAN?



IT WAS
A HAPPY
LIFE —



I'M VERY FAMILIAR WITH GODS, THE GODS, AND TEXTS.

BECAME A NAME AT UNIVERSITY.

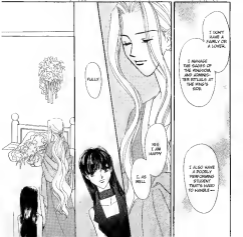
AND THEN I EARNED THE TITLE OF GREAT NAME.

FROM THAT MOMENT,

I...

IT IS NO STRANGE.

WE ALREADY ARE FAR APART.



FINALLY

I DON'T HAVE A FAMILY OR A LOVER.

I MANAGE THE CAREER OF THE PRINCESS AND CONSIDER MYSELF AT THE KING'S SIDE.

YES, I AM HAPPY.

I AM WELL.

I ALSO HAVE A POORLY PERFORMING STUDENT THAT'S HARD TO HANDLE —

IT SEEMS
THAT WAS
USEFUL, RIGHT
JESS?



LAST
DAUGHTER OF
THE KING.
THIS IS THE
LAST VESSEL
BOND.



IT'S
GROWN
OLD... IT
WOULDN'T
PASS IT
THROUGH
THE WATER.

THE
VESSEL
BOND
WILL BE
EXTINCT.

BUT NONE
BEHIDES
NOONE
WOULD
DUPPLY
ME.

OF TELL
NOW, THE
MAY MANY
SPIRITS.

WELL
WOULDN'T YOU
PLEASE
JESS?

PLEASE
TELL ME,
VESSEL
BOND
BOND.



THANKS
TO THAT
POTTER I
WAS ABLE TO
COME BACK.
THANK YOU.

AND TO
ASK YOU
SOME-
THING.

I'M HEARING
BACK TO THE
CASTLE NOW
BEFORE THAT
I WANTED
TO THANK
YOU.

THANK YOU.

THANK
YOU.

I DON'T
KNOW
ABOUT THE
OTHER
SPIRITS,
BUT...





FOR THE
WING
TAPER IS
ONLY
LARGE

AND
THEY
DYING



AND WHO
NOW KNOWS
THAT THEY
WILL NOT
RETURN! ARE
MOMENTS

HOWEVER, THE
ONES WHO
WANTED THEM
SEEM TO
BE TRYING
HARD TO
KEEP THEM
AS CLOTHES

BOTH THE
JOY AND
SADNESS
ARE ON THE
HUMANITY
SIDE



THAT

EVEN IF
I WANTED
TO GUARD
YOU, I
COULD
NOT

I, TOO,
WILL PASS
THROUGH
THE SUN-
RISE GATE
WITH THIS
WIND

THERE'S
NO

WILL YOU
STAY FOR
GISE?



BUT I ALSO
LOVE WEARING
BEAUTIFUL
CLOTHES!

I'M SO
SORRY!

THERE'S
NO NEED
FOR YOU TO
APOLOGIZE

DIDN'T
YOU RESOLVE
THIS FIRST?

BUT!



SO...

I'M
SORRY...

SLIDELY
THAT'S SOME-
NOW CON-
NECTED.

I CAN UNDER-
STAND YOUR FEEL-
INGS WELL.

SMILE OF
DARKNESS



TO REMAIN
IN HER
GAZE.

YOU
HAVE
BEAUTI-
FUL
EYES



I CAN NO LONGER GIVE
YOU ANYTHING BUT MYSELF.

IT'S WHAT
MY HEART WISHES

BUT I
WILL
ALWAYS
STAY FOR
YOU...

I HOPE
THAT
WHAT IS
DEPLETED
IN THEIR
HEARTS

IS ALWAYS
FULL.

*Prin-
cess*

*Both the joy
and sad-
ness are on
the human's
side*

*A spirit's
great disas-
ter is a
blending*

I DON'T REALLY
UNDERSTAND THE
MEANING OF WHAT
JENO AND THE
OTHERS SAY.

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I'LL TRY
TO THINK
THROUGH IT.

I FEEL LIKE
IT'S LINKED
TO A PAST



LEAD
ME BY
HAND

FEELING
LIKE I'M
OVERLOADING



WHEN WE GOT
TO THE NEXT
PLACE, WE CAN
SEE A STRONG
DRAGON THE
BEST OF THE
WORLD

YOU'RE RIGHT,
ARE YOU TRYING
OUT FROM
WALKING?



THAT I
SHOULD FAY
BACK

FEEL
GOOD



OHAYO



PLEASE
WAIT A
LITTLE
LONGER.

NEXT TIME I
WILL DEFINITELY
CALL YOUR
NAME.

SO PLEASE
DON'T LET
GO

UNTIL YOU
ANSWER,
YOU CAN'T GO
HOME YET.

WHAT?

FROM
CROSS

OF MY
HAND



ABOUT
BECOMING
MY SUB-
STANT

ON THAT
NOTE WELL,
WHAT'S YOUR
ANSWER?

ANSWER

!

FOR SEE IT
WAS FOR TO
ANSWER THAT
GUY.

NOW IS
FINE TOO

...



Transient Mirage

A manga-style illustration of a young man and woman in a field of yellow flowers. The man is in the foreground, looking down at his hands, while the woman stands behind him, looking on. The background is a dense field of yellow flowers.

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BONUS MANGA
KIRU'S DAY OFF

THIS IS UN-
USUAL. KIRU
YOU'RE
ALONE??

WHERE'S
THE PRIN-
CESS? DID
SHE LEAVE
YOU ALONE??

TODAY'S
MY DAY
OFF!!



WELL THEN,
WHERE SHOULD
I GO —

IT'S MY LONG-
AWAITED PAY
OFF —

BUT SOME-
TIMES I WANT
TO TAKE A
RYE —

OF COURSE, I
USUALLY ENJOY
SOME THINGS
WITH THE FOR-
GIVE









HOW IS IT?

Ohh
Paise

DOES
IT SUIT
ME?



KIKU AND
I HAVE AN
APPOINT-
MENT!

WE'RE ON
OUR WAY TO
THE THEATER
AFTER THIS
HOW ABOUT
COMING WITH US?

THAT'S
RIGHT



THIS GUY
SEEMS REALLY
GOOD-
NATURED

HE IS
FROM
GIRL

IT'S
REALLY
CUTE

REALLY?
IS IT
GIRLY?

YES
GIRL

IT
SUITS
YOU



HEY—

☆

UUN...
SORRY.

That's
right!

"FLOWER
BOY HOUSE"!!
THE BROTHEL
PRINCE AARON
DROPPED ME
TOY!

NOW
SERVILY
I'VE BEEN
FORGOTTEN!

WHO
ARE
YOU?
I
REMEMBER
YOUR
FACE,
BUT...

THAT TIME, YOU
RAN OFF HOME
WITHOUT LEAVING A
FINGER ON ME. DO
YOU HAVE ANY IDEA
HOW HUMILIATED I WAS?

YOU SAID
YOU'D COME
BY AGAIN, SO I
LET YOU LEAVE!
COME BY FOR
ME NOW!!

I'M
SORRY...

I'M HERE
FROM THE
"FLOWER
BOY HOUSE"



I HADN'T
PLANNED ON THIS.

WELL, IT'S
FINE. IT'S
MY FAY
OFF.



EVEN THOUGH
IT'S MY FIRST CAR
OFF IN HALF A
YEAR,

IT SOMEHOW
SEEMS,

UNSATISFYING.

IT'S NOT
VERY MUCH
FOR





What you
do say that
loud?

CAN I GIVE
HER SOMETHING
LIKE THIS IF I
CAN'T EVEN
GIVE HER AN
ANSWER?

WHAT
WILL I DO
WITH
THIS?

OH
WHAT'S
GOOD, IT'S
A GREAT
TARGET.



BEHOLD...



DON'T YOU
LIKE IT?
PRINCE JASON
SAID THAT IF I
DRESSED LIKE
THIS YOU'D
DEFINITELY
JUMP ON
ME...

WHY ARE
YOU GOING
PLAYING AS
THE PRIN-
CESS?

I
WON'T!



MAYBE I
SHOULDN'T GIVE
IT TO HER...

THANK
YOU FOR
HELPING...



Spit







HEY,
HARE-SHA!

AND
KAPPA

IT'S BEEN
A WHILE SINCE
YOU'VE COME TO
MY STORE. ARE
YOU ALONE?

TODAY IS
AIR DAY!
OFF



HEL-
COME—

OH,
KIBBLE!



FOR YOUR
SWORD,
SPEED IS
LIFE.

THIS IS
THE
HARE-SHA!

I STILL
HAVE TO
FINISH DRESSING
UP THE
SWORDER I
BOUGHT FROM
YOU, TOO



HARE-
SHA!

LET ME
SEE THAT
SWORD
OVER
THERE.



WHAT DO
YOU THINK?
IT'S A RARE
SWORD
FORGED BY
THE MAJIN
FAMILY.

I'LL FIND
A GOOD
STONE FOR
THE HILT
AS WELL.



IT'S
A LITTLE
HEAVY.



WE GOT IN A
GOOD FINDING
OF STEEL LONG-
SWORDS. WANT
TO SEE IT?

YEAH



MR.
MR.

KIRILL
YOU
REALLY
...



THE PRINCESS
IS REALLY ROUGH
WITH HER WEAP-
ONS, SO HER
KNOWS SO THE
DEPLY.

THINK
ABOUT
DARLAN-
GAMN

NO FOR
THE FOR-
GIVE...

THAT'S TOO
LIGHT FOR
HOLLIGHT
IT?



THAT'S
NOT THE
REASON
IS IT?

NO WAY
AROUND IT,
RIGHT?
IT'S
THE SAD
NATURE OF
BEING A
PERSONAL
GUARD

IT'S MY JOB
TO THINK
ABOUT THE
PRINCESS ALL
DAY LONG!!

YOU'RE
WRONG,
KIRILL



THINK
ABOUT
DARLAN-
GAMN ALL
DAY LONG

CHICA
B

THINK
ABOUT
DARLAN-
GAMN



AND JUST LIKE THAT
WENT OFF AND
OFF HALFWAY
THROUGH.

WENT OFF
OFF AND SO
RATHER



A MESSAGE
HAS COME FOR
YOU FROM THE
CASTLE



OH
SOMETHING
WENT TO
THE PRINCE



*The prince
has run off before
immediately.*

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